76th OREGON LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY – 2011 Regular Session MEASURE: SB 82 A CARRIER: Sen. Dingfelder

STAFF MEASURE SUMMARY

Senate Committee on Environment & Natural Resources

REVENUE: No revenue impact FISCAL: Fiscal statement issued

Action: Do Pass as Amended and Be Printed Engrossed

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Meeting Dates: 2/15, 4/21

WHAT THE MEASURE DOES: Defines "recycling credit" as credit granted to manufacturer program or state contractor program for collection, transport and recycling of covered electronic devices in amount that exceeds program's return share by weight for calendar year. Authorizes manufacturer program or state contractor program to claim recycling credit as specified. Requires manufacturer program to include specified information on recycling credits in annual report. Adds computer peripherals and printers to list of covered products effective January 1, 2015. Specifies that "manufacturer" does not include person who manufactures only computer peripherals. Authorizes Environmental Quality Commission (EQC) to adopt rules and take action and Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) to take action prior to effective date. Declares emergency, effective upon passage.

ISSUES DISCUSSED:

- Calculation of return share; how collection goals are set
- Other states' electronic waste programs
- Addition of products to list of covered electronic devices
- Success of Oregon E-Cycles Program

EFFECT OF COMMITTEE AMENDMENT: Replaces measure.

BACKGROUND: Oregon E-Cycles, established by Oregon's Electronics Recycling Law (ORS 459A.300-.365), is a statewide program that requires electronics manufacturers to provide free, convenient recycling for computers, monitors and TVs.

Manufacturers must join a manufacturer-run program or participate in state-run recycling program. Each program accepts covered devices through a network of collection sites and services and recycles them under a plan approved by DEQ. Each year, DEQ determines the total weight of devices expected to be recycled in the state in the following year and assigns each manufacturer a portion of that total weight as its return share (minimum recycling obligation). Manufacturer programs must recycle at least the total weight of their participating manufacturers to avoid penalties, but must collect and recycle year-round under their approved plans, even if they exceed that amount. Senate Bill 82 A would allow recycling credits when collections exceed return shares and add printers and computer peripherals to the Oregon E-Cycles Program.